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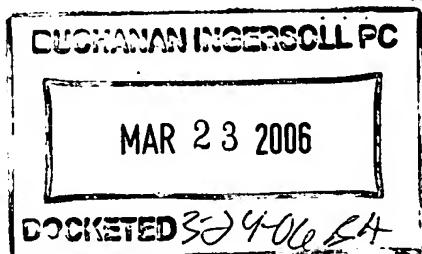


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**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace the title with the following amended title:

**"A DATA ENCRYPTION ENCIPHERING METHOD[[,] AND ASSOCIATED CRYPTOGRAPHIC SYSTEM AND ASSOCIATED COMPONENT"**

Please add the following new paragraph immediately after the title appearing on page 1.

This disclosure is based upon French Application No. 02/09475, filed July 26, 2002, and International Application No. PCT/FR2003/002364, filed July 25, 2003, the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.

Please add on a new line the following at page 1, line 6:

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

Please add on a new line the following at page 6, line 19:

**DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION**

**IN THE ABSTRACT:**

Please add the following Abstract:

**ABSTRACT**

An encryption method in which a clear message (m) is formatted with a formatting function ( $\mu$ ), and in which the result of the formatting step is exponentiated using a public key ( $N, e$ ) in accordance with the relationship  $c = \mu(m)^e \bmod N$ ,  $c$  being an encrypted message,  $\mu(m)$  being the result of the formatting step, and  $e$  and  $N$  elements of the public key. The formatting function ( $\mu$ ) is the PSS function. The invention is applicable to cryptography, for example of RSA type, for smart cards for instance.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

1. (Currently Amended) An enciphering method comprising a step of formatting a clear message in-clear ( $m$ ) by means of a formatting function ( $\mu$ ), and a step of exponentiation of the result of the previous step using a public key ( $N, e$ ) in accordance with the equation  $c = \mu(m)^e \bmod N$ ,  $c$  being an enciphered message,  $\mu(m)$  being the result of the formatting step, and  $e$  and  $N$  elements of the public key,

~~the method being characterised in that wherein~~ the formatting function ( $\mu$ ) is the PSS function.

2. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that wherein~~ the formatting function  $\mu$  is defined by

$$\mu(m) = \text{PSS}(m) = \omega \parallel s, \text{ with:}$$

$m$ , the clear text in-clear of  $k - k_0 - k_1$  bits,  $r$  a random parameter of  $k_0$  bits,  $k, k_0, k_1$  being parameters of the formatting function,

$\parallel$  a concatenation function

$$\omega = H(m \parallel r)$$

$$s = G(\omega) \oplus (m \parallel r)$$

⊗ a logic function XOR, and

H, G two hashing functions

3. (Currently Amended) Use of A method of enciphering a message using a probabilistic signature function (PSS) defined according to the standard PKCS #2 v 2.1, RSA cryptography standard as a formatting function ( $\mu$ ), in order to effect an enciphering method comprising a step of formatting a clear message in-clear (m) by means of the formatting function ( $\mu$ ), and a step of exponentiation of the result of the previous step by means of a public key (N, e) in accordance with the equation  $c = \mu(m)^e \bmod N$ , c being an enciphered message,  $\mu(m)$  being the result of the formatting step, and E and N elements of the public key.

4. (Currently Amended) A cryptographic system method comprising:

- a step of formatting a clear message in-clear (m) by the probabilistic signature function (PSS), and then:

- if an enciphering of the clear message in-clear (m) is required, a step of exponentiation of the result of the formatting step by means of a first key (N, e) in accordance with the equation  $c = \mu(m)^e \bmod N$ , c being an enciphered message,  $\mu(m)$  being the result of the formatting step, and e and N elements of the first key, or

- if a signature of the clear message in-clear (m) is required, a step of exponentiation of the result of the formatting step by means of a second key (N' d') in accordance with the

equation  $s = \mu(m)^d \bmod N'$ ,  $s$  being a signed message,  $\mu(m)$  being the result of the formatting step, and  $d'$  and  $N'$  elements of the second key.

5. (Currently Amended) A system method according to claim [[3]] 4, in which the first key and the second key are respectively a public key of a first pair of keys and a private key of a second pair of keys.

6. (Currently Amended) A system method according to claim [[4]] 5, in which the first pair of keys and the second pair of keys are identical.

7. (Currently Amended) A system method according to ~~one of claims 4 to 6~~, claim 4, in which the enciphering is of the RSA type.

8. (Currently Amended) An electronic component comprising a programmed means processor for implementing an enciphering method according to ~~one of claims 1 to 2~~ claim 1, the programmed means processor comprising in particular a central unit and a program memory.

9. (Currently Amended) An electronic component comprising a programmed means processor for implementing a cryptographic system method according to ~~one of claims 4 to 7~~ claim 4, the programmed means processor comprising in particular a central unit and a program memory.

10. (Currently Amended) A chip card comprising an electronic component according to ~~claim 7 or~~ claim 8.

11. (New) A chip card comprising an electronic component according to claim 9.

REMARKS

By way of the foregoing amendments, the specification has been amended to incorporate the priority information and the title headings. The title has been amended to conform to the English language translation. The Abstract has been added to conform the application to the corresponding PCT Application No. PCT/FR2003/002364. Claims 1-10 have been amended to delete multiple dependencies, and to otherwise conform with conventional U.S. format. New claim 11 has been added. No new matter has been introduced by these changes.

It is requested that the application be examined on the basis of the specification, the title, the Abstract, and the claims as amended.

Early and favorable consideration with respect to this application is respectfully requested.

Should any questions arise in connection with this application, the undersigned respectfully requests that he be contacted at the number indicated below.

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